



4-H News

August 2012

Butte/Lawrence/Meade

4-H is a community of young people across America who are learning leadership, citizenship and life skills.

4-H Calendar

AUGUST

- 1 DEADLINE – County Fair Preregistration Forms Due
- 4 Clean Up Day, Butte/Lawrence County Fairgrounds, Nisland
- 4 12:00 noon, Butte/Lawrence Fair Board Meeting, Fairgrounds, Nisland
- 6-10 Meade County Extension Office Closed
- 9 2:00 PM, Meat ID Class – Pork/Lamb, Integrity Meats, Belle Fourche
- 11 Pavilion Clean Up Day, Butte/Lawrence Fairgrounds, Nisland
- 13 7:00 PM, Butte 4-H Rodeo Committee Meeting, Branding Iron, Belle Fourche
- 13 12:00 Noon, B/L Extension Office Closes/Moves to Fairgrounds
- 15 2:00 PM, Meade County Fair Set-Up, Fair Building, Sturgis
- 15 5:30 PM, Meade County Fair Set-Up, Western Dakota Antique Club Grounds, Sturgis
- 15 – 18 Butte/Lawrence County Fair Fairgrounds, Nisland
- 16 8:00 PM, B/L Livestock Sale Committee Meeting, Fair Office, Nisland
- 17-19 Meade Co. Fair, Fair Building and Threshing Bee, Sturgis
- 24-26 State 4-H Rodeo, Ft. Pierre
- 25 DEADLINE – Western Junior Livestock Show Entries Due
- 27–Sept 3 – Meade County Extension Office Closed
- 30–Sept 3 – South Dakota State Fair

SEPTEMBER

- 3 Holiday, Offices Closed
- 8 DEADLINE – Community Service Reports Due
- 11 7:00 PM, B/L Fair Board Meeting, Fairgrounds, Nisland
- 14 DEADLINE – Western FCS Show Entries Due to Extension Office
- 17 6:30 PM, B/L Leader/Parent Meeting, Congregational Church, Belle Fourche
- 24 DEADLINE – Meade 4-H Record Books and Secretary Books Due to the Extension Office, Sturgis
- 24 5:00 PM, Meade 4-H Leader's Meeting, Extension Building, Sturgis
- 26 6:00 PM, Meade County Jr. Leader's Meeting, Extension Building, Sturgis
- 21 DEADLINE – B/L 4-H Journals Due to 4-H Leader's
- 28 DEADLINE – B/L 4-H Treasurer & Secretary Books Due to the Extension Office, Belle Fourche

OCTOBER

- 1 New 2012-2013 4-H Year Begins
- 10 National Youth Science Day
- 7-13 National 4-H Week
- 10-13 Western Junior Livestock Show 75th Anniversary, Central States Fairgrounds, Rapid City
- 12-13 Western Junior Family & Consumer Science 50th Anniversary Show, Central States Fairgrounds, Rapid City

NOVEMBER

- 3 Butte/Lawrence Recognition Event and Dance, Rec Center, Belle Fourche (tentative)

Fair Exhibit Pre-Registration Deadline – August 1

The preregistration deadline for both the Butte/Lawrence and the Meade County Fairs will be August 1. Please complete the form found in the July newsletter. Note one side is for livestock and the other is for non-livestock exhibits. Please pre-register any projects you think you might bring to the fair in order to save yourself time at the fair. It will be much easier to not use a card you have than it will be to make a card for something you didn't preregister.

State 4-H Rodeo Finals Entries

REMINDER: If a contestant does not wish to enter the finals or has event(s) that you do not want to enter, you must notify the Finals secretary via e-mail first: sd4hfinals@hotmail.com with a hard copy to follow to : SD 4-H Finals Rodeo Secretary, Attn: Lee Ann Gaer, 16931 Twilight Rd, Newell, SD 57760 by **August 6**. If you do not notify the secretary prior to the finals draw, then the contestant is responsible for the entry fees.

Meat Identification Workshops

The second workshop to help 4-H members learn how to evaluate their market animals for meat production will be held on August 9 at Integrity Meats in Belle Fourche beginning at 2:00 PM. This workshop will address pork and lamb cuts and carcass evaluation.

Sheep & Goats for Sale

A graduate 4-H member has a small herd of sheep for sale. There are six breeding Columbia/Targee cross ewes that are 4-6 years old and nine ewe lambs that are their March 2012 offspring. All have had their shots and been wormed. The entire herd is available for \$3,000 and they need to be sold by August 20 when the student leaves for college. Contact Tyler Ferris at 786-3446.

Nubian goats: four yearling does, one two or three year old doe and one six month old doe. Contact TJ or Sonya Swan for more information at 257-2784 or 210-0648.

NOTICE - Butte/Lawrence County Fair Animal Veterinary Inspections

All animals must be vet inspected prior to being unloaded at the fairgrounds or present health papers from your veterinarian to the respective superintendent for the Butte/Lawrence County Fair, August 15 – 18. Veterinarians will be doing daily checks.





Please Send Thank You's!!

Did you sell an animal at the county fair last year or receive an award, trophy, buckle, plaque, or gift? What about during the horse show, county shoot, recognition event or rodeo? Have you sent a thank you to the sponsor? If not, please take time to do so. Although it is best to send a thank you note in a timely manner, it is still better to send one later than not at all. There are several reasons that you should write thank you notes.

Matters of Etiquette - Writing thank you notes is first and foremost, just a matter of good manners. Imagine how you would feel if you went out of your way to buy someone a gift that you thought they would really like, but then you never heard a word about it. You would feel unappreciated and probably more than a little hurt. So it only stands to reason that someone who bought you a gift or sponsored an award that you received that you never thanked them for would feel the same way. Even if you thanked them in person, this is not the same as sending a thank-you note, because it is not a reciprocal effort. If someone took the time and energy to buy you a gift or sponsor an award, then etiquette dictates that you take the time and energy to write and send them a thank you note.

Matters of Thoughtfulness - Writing thank you notes is not just a matter of etiquette - it shows that you're a thoughtful, appreciative and kind person. Ignoring someone else's feelings and choosing laziness over mindfulness is a sign of immaturity. Thank you notes are very much appreciated by the donor or giver and mean even more when they sponsored an award in memory of a loved one. So use your thank you notes to show the people who cared about you enough to recognize your efforts that you are maturing into a responsible, thoughtful individual.

Code of Conduct Reminder

This is a friendly reminder that everybody needs to follow the 4-H Code of Conduct, especially our 4-H members. If **ANY** youth is caught or heard using profanity, or bad sportsmanship at **ANY** 4-H event, it will result in pulling your ribbons at the event, pulling you from the event, and not allowing you to compete at the state level in Youth in Action events or competitions. We are the face of 4-H and we are suppose to be developing good future role models. Even young 4-H'ers are role models to younger youth so make sure you would act the way you would want your role model to act. I hope we can all live up to the Code Of Conduct and that we always promote 4-H in a positive way so many others would want to later participate in the 4-H activities we offer in the county and in the state.



State Fair Youth-In-Action Contests

Anyone receiving purple ribbons for Special Foods, Fashion Revue and Public Presentations and are going to the State Fair in Huron, need to contact their local County Extension Office to send in paperwork by August 3.



ATTENTION: Sheep/Goat Exhibitors

All sheep and goats exhibited at any county achievement day/county fair or the SD State Fair must have official USDA premise of origin tags in their ear. Sheep and goats that do not comply will be DENIED entrance to the show. Tags are free but may take some time to get. They are available at SD APHIS Veterinary Services (1-866-873-2824). **ALL 4-H Market/Meat Goats MUST have a Scrapie Tag. Dairy Goats that are NOT registered with a Dairy Goat Association MUST have a Scrapie Tag.**

PUREBRED Dairy Goats that are registered with a Dairy Goat Association - For the federal scrapie program, you may use the goat's registration tattoo as an official Scrapie ID, as long as the exhibitor/family has a Scrapie Flock ID assigned to them and a letter to that effect. How do I obtain a Scrapie Flock ID for registered flocks? Please phone the USDA, APHIS, VS office to obtain that flock ID. The phone number is (605) 224-6186. Please talk to Lynn Tesar, DVM. USDA, APHIS, VS can then provide a letter which states the exhibitors flock ID. As long as the exhibitor has that letter, along with a copy of the registration papers, the animals (with the registered tattoo) comply with federal regulations when they move to sale or show.

The official USDA tags used on sheep and goats are issued in two formats:

1. Each ear-tag has the official USDA seal and flock ID and an individual animal ID (i.e. "SD1050--0001", "SD1050---0002" for two animals in one flock) ***This is the format preferred by the South Dakota 4-H program.***
2. The other official ear-tag carries an official USDA seal and a unique serial number: the range of numbers is assigned to a flock in your files, but the tags on two head would look like "SDA32701" & "SDA32701". ***Registered Dairy Goat flocks have the option to use this format for Scrapie Flock ID purposes, since every animal will have a unique ear tattoo.***



AVIAN INFLUENZA TESTING - SOUTH DAKOTA EXHIBITIONS

The South Dakota Animal Industry Board is conducting surveillance for a specific type of Avian Influenza in domestic poultry. Sampling and testing is being done statewide to ensure early detection of any low-level avian influenza prior to a costly and serious disease outbreak, regardless of the type of poultry operation. Cloacal swabs may be collected at the fair, and any testing would be done at SDSU ADRDL. Poultry at exhibitions along with hatcheries, poultry sellers, and wild type poultry are included in this surveillance activity. Test results will be sent by mail. There is no cost to the exhibitor for this activity. Thank you for your cooperation. If you have questions please contact Dr. Dustin Oedekoven, State Veterinarian (605)773-3321.

MEADE COUNTY 4-H NEWS

The Meade County Extension Office Has Moved

The Meade County Extension Office is now located in the Erskine Building on Sherman St. The mailing address is 1300 Sherman St., Suite 132, Sturgis, SD 57785. The phone number and email address remain the same.

Meade County Leader's Association Meeting

The Leader's Association will meet September 24 at 5:00 PM to review record books. We need at least one adult from each club to attend, but even more would be welcome and fantastic! Agenda Items include: Record Books Verification-before business meeting, recognition event planning, review of 4-H Achievement Days & Meade County Fair, National 4-H Week, and the New enrollment system – 4-H Online.

4-H Record Books and Secretary Books DUE September 24

Record books are due in the Extension Office on September 24th (the day of the leaders meeting). All record books are due including those who might be applying for trips and awards, or that still need to be judged. Secretary books are also due then if applying for that award.

Meade County Jr. Leader's Meeting

There will be a Jr. Leaders meeting September 26 at 6:00 PM in the Meade County Extension Building. We will be discussing 4-H week, fundraisers for the year and the expectations Jr. Leaders have for the upcoming year. Any adults interested in being an active part of the Jr. Leader's group, please contact Jenny.

BUTTE/LAWRENCE 4-H NEWS

Butte/Lawrence 4-H Leader/Parent Meeting

All leaders, 4-H members and parents are invited to attend the September meeting to discuss the 2012 fair and discuss any ideas or changes for the 2013 County Fair. If you would like your opinion expressed, please come to the meeting **Monday, September 17 at 7:00 PM at the Congregational Church in Belle Fourche**. Also on the agenda will be planning for the fall recognition event, training on the new 4HOnline system and end of 4-H year paperwork.

Help Recycle Cans at This Year's Butte-Lawrence Co. Fair

Did you know that an aluminum can that is not recycled will still be around 500 years from now? To help keep our earth clean and green, the Crow Peak Valley Rangers 4-H Club will be placing cardboard recycle bins around the fairgrounds to collect aluminum cans at this year's Butte-Lawrence County Fair. The cardboard bins have been provided through Habitat for Humanity - and the cans collected will be returned to their organization. The money from the recycled cans will then be used towards Habitat for Humanity projects in the Black Hills. So, please do your part and recycle your cans at this year's fair!

4-H Journals

All 4-Hers need to complete their 4-H Journal for the 2011-2012 4-H year. The journal is due to your 4-H leader by Friday, September 21. The journal needs to be filled out, not just signed and turned into your leader for completion. Leaders will mark your journal as either complete or incomplete. It will not be judged. The 4-H Leader will need to turn in the "I Made It" page 9 to your local County Extension Office by September 28 for final completion.



MEADE COUNTY FAIR & ACHIEVEMENT DAYS INFORMATION



Meade County Fair and 4-H Achievement Days will be held Friday, August 17 - Sunday, August 19 at the Western Dakota Antique Club (WDAC) Grounds and Meade County Fair Buildings.

Fair Packet Mailing/Pickup

A fair packet which will include Exhibit tags, 4-H member ID cards, Volunteer gate passes (for those who sign up to volunteer), and raffle tickets will be coming in the mail by August 10th. If you can pick them up, please let the extension office know so they don't have to mail them. Leader's, please let the extension office know who will be monitoring and cleaning up the 4-H Building at the WDAC so I can send them a free gate pass. If we don't know who is volunteering, they will have to pay the gate fee.

Meade County Office Info

Jenny will be out of the office August 6-10 but will be available by e-mail and phone. If you need to pick up photo boards and stickers, fair packets, or anything else, please let the extension office know and the Register of Deeds office will have them for you. Jenny's cell phone number is 605-203-0066.

SETUP DAY FOR FAIR

HELP is needed to set up for the Meade County Fair on **Wednesday, August 15 at 2:00 PM** at the Meade County Fair Buildings and at **5:30 PM at the WDAC**. Mark your calendar!



2012 STATE FAIR BOOK

Please be sure to use the 2012 State Fair Book for all static, rabbit, poultry & cat exhibit class numbers. Families may purchase a copy from the Extension Office for \$1.50 or download a copy from the Meade County website <http://igrow.org/up/resources/2012-state-fair-handbook.pdf>

4-H & CLOVERBUD INTERVIEW JUDGING

Interview judging of all indoor exhibits will take place on **Friday, August 17** from 8:15 am until 12 noon in the 4-H Building at the WDAC. We have assigned times for clubs to do their interview judging. If the assigned time does not work for you, please come at a different time, and make sure to give yourself enough time to interview judge all your exhibits.

8:15-9:15am – Alkali Troopers, Bear Butte, 9 Mile Guys & Dolls, Critters & Crafts

9:15-10:15am – Bear Butte Valley, Pleasant Valley, Trading Post

10:15-11:15am – Riata Wranglers, Elm Springs Ranchers, Sulphur Creek, Rodeo Rascals

11:15am-noon – 212 Guys & Gals, Marcus Sunbeams & Wildcats, Wild Bunch, Cowboy Up

4-H CLUBS IN CHARGE OF MONITORING AND CLEANING THE 4-H BUILDING AT WDAC AND CLEAN-UP AT THE FAIR BARN:

Friday – 4-H Building at WDAC 3:00-5:00 PM - 212 Guys & Gals, Marcus Sunbeams & Wildcats

Saturday – 4-H Building at WDAC 8:00-11:00 AM – Critters & Crafts; 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM - Sulphur Creek, Rodeo Rascals; 2:00-5:30 PM - Elm Spring Ranchers, Trading Post

Saturday at the Fair Barn – 8:00-10:30 AM - Pleasant Valley; 10:30 AM - 1:00 PM - Riata Wranglers; 1:00-3:30 PM - Alkali Troopers, Cowboy Up **All available 4-Hers and families help with cleanup after the sale.**

Sunday – 4-H Building at WDAC - 8:00-11:00 AM - Bear Butte Valley; 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM - Wild Bunch; 2:00-5:00 PM - Bear Butte, 9-Mile Guys & Dolls

Leaders - If your club is assigned to monitoring the 4-H building at the WDAC and cleanup, we ask that you have at least one adult and two youth sit at the 4-H building and make sure people are not touching displays or removing them until they are dismissed on Sunday at 3:00 PM. Cleanup responsibilities at the WDAC Grounds include picking up around the 4-H Building and Steamed Corn Stand. Cleanup responsibilities at the Meade County Fair Building include picking up around the grounds, empty garbage cans, replace liners, and will help with taking down livestock pens as needed. Clubs with cleanup on Sunday will also be helping take down the exhibit areas.



FOODS EXHIBITS

4-H foods exhibits will be sold at the Steamed Corn Stand, unless 'DO NOT SELL' is written on the exhibit card.



PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITORS

The photography board that is required for your exhibits is available at the Meade County Extension Office. 16" X 20" matte - \$2.50, 10" X 14" white foam core board – \$1.00, 10" X 14" black foam core board - \$1.50.

FASHION SHOW

The Western Dakota Antique Club will be holding a Vintage Style Show and Tea on **Sunday, August 19** at 11:00 AM. Everyone is invited to join in the style show, especially those who modeled for Fashion Revue. You are encouraged to wear you purchased or constructed outfit.

HELP NEEDED AT FOOD STAND AND STEAMED CORN STAND

We are looking for adults and youth to help in the food stand. We will only have the food stand on Saturday at the Meade County Fair Grounds. The Steamed Corn Stand will be **Friday and Saturday 11:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Sunday 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM**. Contact the office if you can help. A schedule will be coming out soon.



HEALTH CERTIFICATES

A veterinarian will be available at the show area to inspect 4-H livestock on from **7:30 – 10:00 AM** on **Saturday, August 18**. A fee of \$2.00 per head will be charged.



4-H LIVESTOCK SALE:

All 4-H members planning to sell at the Meade County Fair Livestock Sale should register their animals on the exhibit registration sheet that was in the July newsletter. 4-H'ers may sell a total of 2 animals – 1 per species. This year there will be a sale commission deducted from each animal's premium. This commission helps the sale committee cover costs associated with fundraising for the sale.

Each exhibitor needs to set a base price for their animals the day of the fair. The base price is set to ensure that anyone that wants to retain ownership of their animal after the sale can do so. If the owner wishes to keep their animals, the buyer only pays the premium difference between the base set and the sale price. If the owner wishes to sell their animals, the buyer would pay the total sale price. If ownership changes hands, a 4-H ownership affidavit needs to be completed and given to the buyer at the sale.

All 4-Hers that plan on selling their livestock at the Meade County Livestock Sale or any other sale **NEED** to fill out a COOL Affidavit of Ownership to give to the buyer at the sale. This only applies to buyers who take ownership of the animal following the sale. 4-H Youth, who purchase their livestock from someone else, **MUST** have the producer fill out the affidavit, give it to the youth, and the youth should keep the affidavit on file for a minimum of two years.

MARKET LAMBS

Market lambs 80 lbs. and over must be sheared. All market lambs not sheared will be disqualified. Feeder lambs do not need to be sheared. All market lambs will be weighed upon arrival.

ALL EXHIBITS MUST BE PICKED UP on **Sunday, August 19**. Exhibits will be released at **3:00 PM and must be picked up by 5:00 PM**. Extension Office Staff will NOT be picking up ANY left-over exhibits. The Fair Association and the Extension Office will not be responsible for any exhibits left at the fair. If you can't make it back to the fair on Sunday, please make arrangements for someone else to pick up your exhibits.

STATE FAIR – August 29-Sept. 3, Huron

*Exhibits receiving purple ribbons at the County Fair are eligible for the State Fair. A total of **10 exhibits** may be sent to the State Fair.



*Please register your purple ribbon static exhibits for State Fair between 3-4pm on **Sunday, August 19** at the 4-H building at the WRAC. Staff will bring exhibits into the Extension Office from the County Fair. Exhibits will stay at the Extension Office to be packed, retagged and taken to the State Fair in Huron.

*Any static exhibits (excluding foods & hort) taken home from the County Fair that you want to send to the State Fair must be in the Ext Office by **Wednesday, August 22**. Entry tags must be attached to each exhibit.

*Exhibit entry forms for state fair exhibits are due to the Extension Office by **Wednesday, August 22**.

*Purple ribbon foods & horticulture exhibits will be due in the Extension Office by **10:00 am on Monday, August 27**.

*State Fair exhibits can be picked up at the Extension Office after lunch on **Wednesday, September 5**. ALL State Fair exhibits need to be picked up by **5 pm on Friday, September 7**.

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Western Junior Livestock Show

The 75th Anniversary Western Junior Livestock Show will be held October 10-13, 2012 in Rapid City at the Central States Fairgrounds. Rules, regulations, entry blanks and trip/scholarship applications are available from the Western Junior website at: www.westernjuniorlivestock.com or contact the show secretary Jackie Maude at 605-255-4445 or your local County Extension Office. 2011 exhibitors will be mailed entry info. **Entries must be postmarked by August 25.**

Western 4-H FCS Show

The 50th Anniversary Western Family Consumer Science Show will be held October 12-13, 2012 in Rapid City, SD at the Central States Fairgrounds. The show is open to all youth (4-H and non 4-H) that are interested in competing in the different events. Contests include home living, public presentations, place setting, ingredient measuring, bread baking, meat id, family life photo, vegetable id and judging, FCS skill-a-thon and Fashion Revue. **Entries will be due to your local County Extension Office by September 14.** Detailed information about the contest is available at your local Extension Office.

Adults/alumni are invited to participate in many events to celebrate this special anniversary year. Complete details are available in the Show Handbook.

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